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FROM: Brussels

TO: Secretary of State 0126

NO: 549, April 4, 2 p.m.

Deveze saw Leopold April 3. After audience King issued communique with Deveze's approval stating King had not changed his position.

Deveze returned Brussels 10 a.m., April 4 and will see Regent at noon with announced intention of giving up his mission. He will then participate Liberal Party meeting 3 p.m. probably to discuss Liberal position vis-a-vis homogeneous PSC government. [redacted] B-1

Possible alternatives:

1. Regent may have to call on PSC representatives to form government. [redacted] B-1

[redacted] B-1

2. The Regent

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2. The Regent may dissolve Parliament (Article 71 Belgian constitution) on grounds no one party has majority both houses and impossibility of forming coalition government. [redacted] B-1

After trying to reach compromise on royal question for six years Belgian political leaders seem to have failed. [redacted] B-1

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